

**In the Claims:**

Amend Claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Currently Amended). An electric power tool, ~~such as including~~ a hand-held circular saw, and routing machine ~~and the like~~, the power tool having a circular tool motor-driven by an axially extending shaft (1) with the tool clamped by a clamping device actuated by a pivotally displaceable clamping lever (12), a mechanical braking device (2) displaceable between a braking position and a release position, a switching member (3) for turning the motor on and off, a safety ~~elements~~ element (4) mechanically connected by an ~~activation~~ actuation part (5) to said braking device (2) and displaceable between a safety position for preventing the motor from being turned on and for actuating said braking device and a release position for allowing the motor to be turned on and releasing said braking device, wherein a locking mechanism is arranged for placing said clamping lever in a clamped state in which it is unlocked in the safety position of said safety element (4) and is in a locked state in the release position of said safety element.

2. (Original). An electric power tool, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said locking mechanism comprises a hook element (11) connected to said braking device (2) whereby with said clamping lever (12) in the clamped state said hook element engages in a recess (13) in said clamping lever (12) and in a locked state said hook element engages at least part of an edge in said recess (13) locking said clamping lever (12) in the clamped state.

3. (Original). An electric power tool, as set forth in claim 2, wherein said clamping lever (12) is pivotally displaceable about a bolt (15), and said recess (13) is located at a position spaced laterally from said bolt (15).

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